

and State land uses are expected to increase very little in the coming 20 years.

Conservation

The Land Development Plan has designated for conservation those areas which are the floodplains for the creeks and rivers of the county. Because of the past experiences when the Little and Neuse Rivers overflowed their banks, no permanent type of structure should be allowed in the areas designated for conservation. Maximum usage of conservation areas would include recreation, forestry and wildlife habitat. Enforcement of zoning and subdivision regulations would prohibit any type of permanent development.

There is very little recreational use made of the Neuse and Little Rivers. There is a limited amount of fishing and hunting on these rivers. The Cliffs of the Neuse State Park utilizes the scenic beauty of the Neuse River. There are several private clubs which make uses of the various creeks and streams in the county, but public use is limited. The City of Goldsboro plans for several parks and pedestrian greenways along Stony Creek, as previously discussed.

There are several tracts of commercial forest land along the Neuse River, but by far most of the forest land in the conservation areas is owned by private interests. Pine trees are the most numerous in